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SUBJECT: KIM DAE JUNG AND KIM CHI HA ARE NOMINATED
- FOR AUSTRIAN HUMAN RIGHTS AWARD

1. AN AUSTRIAN HUMAN RIGHTS ORGANIZATION, WHOSE PRESIDENT IS THE SPEAKER OF THE AUSTRIAN PARLIAMENT, HAS NAMED KIM DAE JUNG (M-R: KIM TAE-CHUNG) AND POET KIM CHI-HA (M-R) AMONG THE RECIPIENTS OF ITS 1981 HUMAN RIGHTS AWARDS. THE AUSTRIAN EMBASSY HERE THINKS IT MAY END UP DELIVERING THE AWARD.

2. THE VIENNA-BASED "DR. BRUNO KREISKY INSTITUTE FOR SERVICE IN HUMAN RIGHTS" HAS NAMED KIM DAE JUNG AND POET KIM CHI-HA AMONG THE TWELVE RECIPIENTS OF ITS 1981 HUMAN RIGHTS AWARDS. THE AWARD, GIVEN JOINTLY TO THE TWO KIMS, INCLUDES A CASH PRIZE OF 100,000 SCHILLINGS EACH (ABOUT DOLS 6,352), AND IS SCHEDULED TO BE AWARDED NOVEMBER 27 IN VIENNA. THE AUSTRIAN HONORARY CONSUL HERE RECEIVED

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NOTICE LAST WEEK OF THE AWARD, WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE RECIPIENTS ACCEPT IT.

3. MRS. KIM DAE JUNG, ACCORDING TO A FRIEND OF HERS, TRIED UNSUCCESSFULLY TO VISIT HER HUSBAND AND DISCUSS THE MATTER. SHE AND KIM CHI-HA WILL ACCEPT THE AWARD IN SEOUL ON NOVEMBER 27.

4. COMMENT: THIS AWARD WILL BE A MORALE-BOOSTER FOR THE LOCAL DISSIDENT COMMUNITY, WHOSE MEMBERS COMPLAIN CONSTANTLY ABOUT THEIR NEED FOR MORE FOREIGN SUPPORT. FOR OVERNMENT. OBVIOUSLY, IT WILL BE AN EMBARRASSMENT. END COMMENT. WALKER
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